

## City Council

### Whole Council Will Investigate Police Charges

At the city council meeting last evening the charges formulated by Constable Harris against Chief of Police Patterson on the demand of the police committee were read by the City Clerk, and it was resolved, on the recommendation of the committee, that the council sit as a committee of the whole to investigate, with power to subpoena witnesses and hear evidence on oath. It was also decided that the press and public.

The City Solicitor on being asked for an opinion advised that one of the offences alleged was a criminal one, and might ultimately have to be taken up by the attorney-general.

Constable Harris's letter conveying the charges was as follows:

April 23, 1908.  
To the City Council of Strathcona, Gentlemen,—  
I have been asked by the chairman of the Police committee to put in charges against one of the police charges to be in by six o'clock today. I stated to the chairman that at the time was pretty short, but the chairman insisted that the charges must be in by that hour, and that was all he could say.

I therefore enclose the charges which I make against the Chief of Police.

I understand that this matter is being left without any resolution of the Council passed to that effect, to the Police Committee. I wish to say that if Mr. Alderman Bush acts as that Committee that there will be at least one of my judges prejudiced against me, as I understand from the papers that Mr. Bush asked the council to expel me from the force with out any hearing in my behalf.

I would therefore ask that instead of the Police Committee handling this investigation, as I am satisfied that they will not get justice from the council as a whole with the Mayor present be appointed a special committee to investigate these charges and subpoena witnesses, and that these investigations be open to the public, or if the council does not do this, that the whole matter be placed before a Supreme Court judge to investigate, and that a grant be made by the city council to cover the expenses in connection therewith.

You will see that I am a private member of the police force and am requested by the Police Committee to pay charges against my superior officer, therefore I want fair play in this matter and want the public to see exactly what is going on, and want the investigation to be held in a proper and legal way.

Yours truly,

FRANK HARRIS.

I hereby charge the Chief of Police with—

- 1.—Abusing me and accusing me of trying to suppress him in getting his position in a public place, and using blasphemous language at the same time, while I was on duty.
- 2.—Abusing me as an officer of the force in a certain other public place in the City of Strathcona and acting in a manner unbecoming to the Chief of Police or a member of the Police force.
- 3.—Abusing me on the public streets in the hearing of others when I was on duty, and when he was intoxicated.

—The Chief was drunk on the public streets of Strathcona at five o'clock in the morning about five months ago during last year and was in such a condition of intoxication that he was taken home, by citizens.

—The Chief received protection money from certain parties interested in a certain house of ill fame in Strathcona.

Dated at Strathcona this 23rd day of April, 1908, at the hour of 1:55 p.m.  
FRANK HARRIS.

### CITY WILL HAVE MONEY.

The secretary-treasurer made the clearing announcement during the evening that he had been informed by the manager of the Imperial Bank that the sum of \$55,000 on current account would be immediately available to the city and the sum of \$30,000 on account of last year's taxes as soon as proper debentures are issued.

### 1908 ASSESSMENT.

The assessment committee recommended the adoption of the report of J. D. Foster, the city assessor, which was as follows:—  
Real estate assessment ..... \$6,753,114  
Exemptions ..... 190,210

Leaving taxable real estate 6,562,904  
Business tax ..... \$43,117  
The report was adopted.

### ROUTINE WORK.

Among the communications read was one from J. A. Connolly, secretary of the Separate School Board, requesting immediate payment of the sum of \$2,800, taxes due to the board. As the city has no funds at the disposal of the school board, the request he complied with.  
H. F. Sandeman, local agent for the C. & E. Townsite Co., wrote intimating that the clauses in the agreements for the sale of Blocks P, Q, R, and S, to the city reserving the mineral rights had been struck out.

The secretary of the Association Football Club in a letter to the council to endeavor to secure the use of the exhibition grounds for athletic sports. The matter was laid over until the next meeting, Mr. Alderman Sheppard suggesting that the exhibition association were to meet on the following evening and would probably deal with the football club's request.

It was resolved that flats be heated and placed in the city banks for subscriptions towards the fund for the preservation of the national latitudes. This action was taken in response to a committee from the Association of the National Bathers' Commission.

The public works committee were asked to report on the following petition:—  
For the grading of Second Avenue from Second Street East to Fifth Street East.

For a six-foot plank walk on Second Avenue South along the 41st A.C. Harrison, secretary of the Strathcona Athletic Committee, reported that he had received the sum of \$1,000 from the City of Edmonton on account of the grant made by that city towards the exhibit for the Dominion Fair at Calgary, and suggesting that Strathcona should forward a similar sum, say \$500. It was resolved that the sum of \$500 be paid over to the committee.

A number of accounts were passed for payment.

The assessment committee made the recommendation that a rebate be made to the amount of 50 per cent of the taxes on the fair grounds, in consideration of the public having the use of the grounds for athletic sports, picnics, etc., and it was resolved that the report be adopted.

On the recommendation of the public works committee it was resolved that the following streets be graded and put in order:—  
Whyte Avenue, west of First Street.  
Third Avenue North at and between the B. & K. elevator and Third Street.

Rupert Street.  
It was resolved that the use of the steam roller be granted the citizens for rolling of lawns etc., on condition that no expense be incurred by the city thereby.

A by-law was passed authorizing the issue of debentures for the raising of funds for current expenditure.

### To Fight Burns

London, April 28.—Jack Johnson the colored heavy weight pugilist, accompanied by his manager, Fitzpatrick, arrived here from New York this evening. They immediately visited the National Sporting club, and the sporting newspapers, and issued a challenge to "Sammy" Burns, the heavy weight champion, to fight anywhere for any purse acceptable to Burns. Johnson went further than this, and offered to bet Burns \$5,000 that he will stop him in 20 rounds. In addition he will concede to Burns two-thirds if any purse put up for the contest. These terms cannot be published in England, as the law of the land forbids anything but boxing contests limited to twenty rounds.

Burns has been holding out in the negotiations for the Johnson contest for a sum win or lose draw, larger or than any syndicate which has yet appeared will offer.

Johnson appears anxious to meet Burns, but there has been so much cross-talking that it seems doubtful if the two men will come together in England. There is a possibility however, that a club just organized in Paris may raise sufficient money to induce Burns to go into the ring with the colored man.

Burns also visited the National Sporting club this evening, but did not meet Johnson. Burns forestalled the latter by depositing \$5,000 with a sporting party for a meeting with the negro.

Burns insisted that he must have \$20,000 as his share of the purse, but Johnson can arrange the side bets to suit himself. In the opinion of Burns as expressed to-night, a fight between him and Johnson is now bound to occur, but whether in England or in America depends upon the purse.

## Talk of Arresting Liner

London, April 28.—Two more bodies have been recovered from the sunken *Gladstone*, and the admiralty announces that the names of twenty-three already given complete the list of the missing. The St. Paul cargo is being transferred to the White Star liner *Tarentine*, preparatory to placing her in dry dock.

American line officers are preparing a statement of the disaster. The chief of the St. Paul has sent a magnificent wreath on behalf of the stewards to Portsmouth, as a token of sympathy for the lost blue-jackets.

A rumor was circulated last night to the effect that the *St. Paul* had been arrested at the instance of the admiralty, but this proved untrue. The admiralty is competent to order the arrest of a vessel in a suit for damages sustained in a collision. It is doubtful if this will be done, as the admiralty has always been chary of submitting itself to the jurisdiction of the courts. Many legal porters would arise in the event of the damages, but the matter is still in abeyance.

### ONTARIO MINISTER DEAD.

Colborne, Ont., April 28.—The death occurred this morning of Hon. Dr. W. H. Wilgongh, minister without portfolio in the Whitney cabinet. He had been dying for months, his brain having given way. It was his mental and physical condition which forced him to renounce public life. He was one of the Conservative old guard and the man who was responsible for Whitney being the premier to-day, as it was he that obtained the selection of Whitney as leader of the opposition. He had been long in public life but was handicapped by an impediment in his speech.

### DROWNING FATALITY

Durham, Ont., April 28.—Thomas Bennett, Fred King and James Knox died were drowned in Apple Lake of Rocky Reef yesterday afternoon, while enjoying a boating party.

### C.-B's Funeral

### A Nation's Tribute of Respect

London, April 27.—The funeral services of the Church of England were solemnized in Westminster Abbey at noon to-day over the body of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the late premier of Great Britain, who died on April 22, in the presence of a large gathering representing the political life of England. After the services, a short procession moved from the abbey to Euston station, where a special train took the coffin to Scotland and a dismal rain was falling when the simple cortege made its way through the streets. The abbey and the railroad station each had its crowd of spectators, who had shelter from the weather under a sea of umbrellas. The ceremony of to-day held much less display than that in 1898, when Mr. Gladstone, the last premier to be buried in Westminster Abbey, was laid to rest, nevertheless the grandeur of the abbey and the character of those who assembled to pay the last honors to Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman formed a noteworthy historical scene.

Scores of former prime ministers and political associates were present, but his two predecessors in office, Mr. Balfour and Lord Rosebery were unable to attend. To-day was the first time that the funeral of a premier or an ex-premier has occurred from the historic residence of the British prime ministers in Downing street. The pallbearers were the

Archbishop of Canterbury, the Duke of Devon, the Duke of Argyll, the present prime minister, Lord Lansdowne, the lord high chancellor, Herbert Gladstone, secretary of state for home affairs; John Morley secretary of State for India; Lord Tweedmouth, formerly first lord of the admiralty, now lord president of the council; the Earl of Aberdeen, late lieutenant of Ireland, and Walter Long, John Sinclair and Thomas Burt, members of parliament. The dean of Westminster Abbey and the clergy led the procession to the center of the edifice, where the casket was placed upon a temporary bier. Among those who attended the service were the Prince of Wales, who represented King Edward; Bismarck, who was present on behalf of Emperor William; Premier Clemenceau who represented the French government, and Whitelaw Reid, the American ambassador.

At the conclusion of the ceremonies the coffin was taken to Euston station, proceeding at a walking pace through the densely crowded streets. The people had waited for hours in a vain effort to witness the passage of the cortege through the streets. Contingents of the militia were the order of the day, King Edward, Emperor William and the president of France. Flags all over London were at half-mast, and the church bells tolled as the remains were borne on their last journey through the streets of London.

## River Boat Tragedy

Helena, Ark., April 28.—Fifteen persons lost their lives and several others sustained serious injuries while scores are suffering from exposure as the result of the capsizing of the steamer *Marion*, having aboard members of a carnival company, near the mouth of the River St. Francis on Sunday.

The steamer was caught in a wind storm and overturned when two hundred yards from the shore, and, with the exception of several who were rescued into the river water, those aboard clung to the overturned boat and drifted for several hours, the waves from time to time washing one after another into the water, until rescued by a passing launch, when fifteen of their number were missing. The *Marion* was a sixty-five ton boat.

### BIG BLAZE IN VANCOUVER.

Vancouver April 28.—Robertson and Hackett's Vancouver sash and door factory was burned down to-night with the entire stock and plant. The loss is about \$50,000. Included in the former was a large amount of new oak fittings for the Bank of Montreal. Fire caused the reorganization of the electric power throughout the city, demoralized traffic and cut off street and residential lights, also the News-Advertiser power.

### ANOTHER DISASTER IN BRITISH FLEET.

Harwich, Eng., April 28.—A British torpedo boat destroyer, the *Gala*, was cut in two and sunk this morning off the Kentish Knock, North sea by the aircraft boat *Attentive*.

The destroyer *Kilise* was also involved in a collision and returned to Sheerness with two compartments full of water. The *Gala* was engaged in night man maneuvers when the accidents occurred. Engineer Clerk, Frank Fletcher of the *Gala*, went down with his vessel. There was no other loss of life.

## Famous Bandit Reported Dead

Paris April 28.—Conflicting reports are being received regarding a rumor that Rainsatt, the noted Moroccan bandit, was slain by a band of Kikima's trisemen. All reports agree that Kikima's natives ambushed the outlaw's force while he was returning from a feast. Some say the chief was killed, others declare he was missed by a shot. The Kikima had sworn vengeance against Rainsatt because, although they had been ravaged by the imperial troops for sheltering him, he refused them any share of the ransom.

### ROASTED ALIVE IN MOSCOW.

St. Petersburg, April 28.—Two thousand Kurils, Memash and Mogeyev trisemen are making an expedition of pillage and murder on Persia, just over the Russian frontier. They are burning villages, destroying telegraphs, murdering and plundering on every hand. Men and youths of attacked villages advanced to meet the invaders, time and again, but in each instance have been left dead, while their villages were destroyed and many women carried to captivity.

In the town of Ust-Katun the inhabitants took refuge in a mosque in which they were roasted alive.

### BURNED TO DEATH.

Halifax, April 28.—Mrs. Barbara Garrison, ten months to death at Ingon Point, ten miles from Halifax. The remains were burned almost beyond recognition, being discovered on the roadside near the woman's home by a little boy. It is supposed that the woman's clothes caught fire while throwing some wood into a kitchen fire and that she rushed out of the house to call assistance.

### AFTER THEIR COLLISION.

St. Thomas, April 28.—John Lawton, conductor of the train which collided at Tilsonburg on the *Wabash*, January 2, and killed Engineer Walker of the *St. Thomas and Strathcona* of Windsor, was arrested to-day. It is alleged that Lawton broke his train in two and did not protect the rear half. He was admitted to bail in \$1,000.





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"How that orang-utan could ram-  
ble when he inhaled those long arms  
and legs of his head side over the  
land scape at a gait that would have  
made the fleetest coyote that ever  
kicked up the dust of the Great Amer-  
ican Desert hang his head in shame  
and envy."

"Hewas a fighter, too—Wan't a  
frail of anything that walked, new-  
crackled."

"A black bear came nosing around  
the camp one day, and the way Bill  
lit into him was a caution. We  
tried to call him back, expecting to  
see the bear tear the daylight out of  
the poor monkey, but his knuck his  
business, all right. He went cding  
and "kweeing" around that bear so  
fast that Brain must have thought he  
was an amimated pinwheel."

"He kept this up until he had the  
bear staggering with dizziness, and  
then suddenly, with an extra loud  
"kwee" he gave the bear a right  
right smack on the bear's back. For  
about half a minute we couldn't see  
anything but a tangle of arms, legs,  
claws, and fur, and then we heard a  
crack like the report of a  
distant and Bill hopped back, leaving  
the bear lying motionless."

"When we examined it we found the  
neck broken clean in two. That was  
the crack we heard. The strength it  
at monkey had in his hands and arms  
was sure amazing."

"One day, about two months after  
the arrival of the menagerie, Ike and  
I were sitting on a log down by the  
crack taking our after-dinner smoke.  
Samanthu and Bill had wandered off  
on one of their foraging-trips."

"Billey," says Ike, "you and me  
are getting altogether too rich to con-  
tinue to delve in these sands with the  
plebeian tool of man any longer. Our  
portions that make Mr. Avoor's  
dream fade away like an impen-  
dent oil company before the mighty  
and half-headed John D. What you  
and me want to do is take things  
easy."

"Now, just supposing we pack what  
load we want to on Samanthu, ride  
into Red Dutch, buy some machinery  
into a bunch of greasers, and go at  
this thing on a large scale. What's  
the use of dribbling along a couple of  
hundred a day, when we might just  
well take out a couple of thousand."

"That's just what I'm figuring," I  
answered. "I'm ready to start any  
time."

"All right; we'll—"  
He never finished the sentence, for  
just then there sounded a chorus of  
shrill whoops. I was seized from be-  
hind, thrown violently, face to earth,  
on the sand, and held there while  
my hands and feet were securely bound.  
Some one sat on my head during the  
operation, so I didn't have a  
chance to put up any kind of a fight.  
When they rolled me over, I found  
that we were surrounded by a dozen  
of the fiercest-looking pirates that ever  
broke loose from their reservation.  
They were on the war-path, all right  
too; painted up as gaudy as a circus  
poster, and dancing and whooping a-  
round us like they meant business and  
was glad of it.

"I looked at Ike. He was roped down  
just as tight as I was, and was  
gazing around him with the bewildered  
expression of a man who has just  
slipped on a banana-peel."

"What do you think about this?"  
I inquired.

"I'm tell you in a minute," he an-  
swered. "I haven't begun yet."  
"You'd better hurry up," I advised  
him. "By the way these guests  
are acting, I should judge that they  
are going to revert to the ways and  
customs of their forefathers and hold  
a little old-fashioned high carnival."  
The Indian, "Koppeet," dancing, and  
part of them heaved up to the  
shack, while the rest drew off to one  
side and started a powwow. They  
were evidently trying to agree on  
what disposition they would make of  
Ike and me.

loose and cut out these monkey-shines  
Where do you think you are, anyway,  
that you can come around raising the  
hovel like this."

The chief didn't answer, but turned to  
the rest of the gang, and they con-  
tinued their powwow. I couldn't un-  
derstand their jargon, but could see by  
their gestures that they were making  
extensive plans to do something inter-  
esting.

The bunch up in the shack were  
having the time of their life, judging  
by the sounds. Canned goods, frying  
pans, and one thing and another were  
flying out of door and window, and  
from the noise they made, it seemed  
that they were tearing out the whole  
inside of the shack.

When they finally joined the others  
each one had a sack of our gold-dust  
on his shoulder, and our blankets,  
guns, and clothing were divided up be-  
tween them."

They weren't long in deciding on a  
plan of action. Part of them picked  
up and stood us against a poplar-  
tree, while the rest began gathering  
brush and wood, which they piled a-  
round our feet."

"Hello! I see," says Ike. "We're  
going to have a little old-time holo-  
caust. Billey, I ain't much of a pro-  
pheticator, but I've got a large-  
sized hunch that right here is where  
our goose is cooked."

"Right here is where we'll be cook-  
ed, if something don't happen blame  
quick," I answered. "Can't you get  
some way?"

"I've got one hand loose now," he  
whispered, "but I can't see how it is  
going to help us any."

"You just keep it loose," I whisper-  
ed back. "You may get a chance to  
use it yet."

The Indians now gathered around  
began whatever they call the cancan  
they perform on such occasions. One  
of them advanced and kneeled down  
to touch off the bonfire.

"By cricky, they mean business all  
right," I groaned, and I gave a despair-  
ing look around.

My spirits immediately took a sud-  
den jump, for about fifty yards away  
was Samanthu, with Ebenezer sitting  
on her head, standing stock-still and  
watching us. If I could only make  
those critters understand!

"Hi! Samanthu! Ebenezer!" I  
cried. "Come on! Dig into 'em! I  
eat 'em up! Sick 'em!"

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waving with Ebenezer dancing up and  
down on her head, waving those big,  
long, hairy arms, and both of 'em  
looking and "kweeing" to beat a steam  
calliopo.

I don't know what those redskins  
thought, but I have a notion that  
they experienced the surprise of their  
life right then and there.

The way they lit out into the land-  
scape was appalling to witness. They  
never stopped for their plunder; they  
didn't have time.

In ten seconds Ike and I were alone  
in the solitude with nothing to re-  
mind us of the excitement, but the  
yells of those scared savages, the an-  
gry toots of Samanthu, and the  
"kwees" of Ebenezer, growing fainter  
and fainter, until they finally died a-  
way in the distance.

"Billey," says Ike, as he cut my  
hounds, "somewhere or other, I'm mighty  
glad I brought them critters."

"Aah," I answered reflectively,  
"I'm gladder yet I turned that jack."  
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At the Strathcona Opera House

Wednesday, April 29th

Thursday, April 30th

Prices - 50c, 35c, 25c

TO-NIGHT

### Around the City

Mrs. J. McFarland will not receive on Friday of this week.

Mrs. H. H. Crawford will be at home corner First Ave. N. and Second St. W. after the 1st of the month.

Mr. Ernest Carmichael, of this city returned last evening from Kingston, where he has been attending Queen's University.

Those who have cattle or horses running loose within the city limits should take warning. The pound master is getting busy.

The investigation of the charges made by Constable Harris against the Chief of Police will commence on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock in the council chamber.

The meteorological report states that in Manitoba the weather has been fair and cold. In Alberta and Saskatchewan pressures have been lower with rising temperatures, and some light scattered falls of snow or rain. The forecast for the whole of the west is fair weather to-day and to-morrow, with higher temperatures to-morrow.

Contrary to expectations no by-law was introduced at the city council last evening to appoint a day for nominations for the office of Mayor made vacant by the resignation of N. D. Mills, but notice was given that such a by-law would be introduced at the next meeting. This will delay the election a week.

Manager R. C. Whitehead will give the theatre-going public of Strathcona something new to-night. He is putting on at the Opera House a program of high-class vaudeville, a very item on the bill being guaranteed the best of its kind. This is something which has been often asked for and no doubt the citizens will show their appreciation of Mr. Whitehead's enterprise.

An entertainment in aid of the building fund of Holy Trinity Church will be given in the Opera House on Friday evening. Mr. Leon Jefferys, violinist, and Mr. Wm. Appleton, pianist, will be the chief performers. The Strathcona Lilliputian Orchestra will furnish music.

Miss Eva Wilby, the baby pianist, will give a few selections at the English Church entertainment in the Opera House on Friday night.

The dry sunny weather is making the streets dusty, and no doubt the fire teams will from now on take part of their daily exercise in front of the sprinkler.

The marriage took place this morning at 8:30 of Archie Latimer, one of the best known members of the R.N.W.M.P. force and Miss Christina McLeod of Wapella Sask. The newly married couple left this afternoon for Maple Creek where Latimer will now be stationed. Probably no man in the West is better known or more widely popular than the genial member of the R.N.W.M.P. Latimer has been twenty years in the force. Ten of those he spent at Fort Saskatchewan. He was for three years on the Peace River and Yukon Trail with Major Constantine as teamster and now that the Major has been transferred to Maple Creek Archie is going with him. His numerous friends will wish him every happiness.

### NINE VESSELS SUNK.

St. Pierre, Miguelon, April 28.—The fishing season has opened disastrously for the French fishing fleet, nine vessels having been sunk between France and this port.

### TO INTERVIEW LAURIER.

Vancouver, April 28.—Forty Indian chiefs will leave here on the 26th of May for Ottawa to interview Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his government. The Indians complain that their land is being taken from them and given away. The prime mover is Chief Joe Caplano who headed the delegation to Buckingham palace a couple of years ago.

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